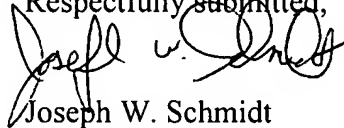


**REMARKS**

By this amendment, claims 13-24 have been canceled. New claims 25-41 have been presented. These claims are commensurate with the Election made August 25, 2006. Thus, claims 1-12 and 25-41 are now pending in this application.

Each of the pending claims is believed to be allowable over the art of record. Allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone or a personal interview may facilitate resolution of any matters, he/she is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the number indicated below.

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